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2016 Juvenile Detention Inspection - Compliance Report



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Inspection Date: April 20, 2016

Subsequent Visit Date(s): January 28, 2016
August 16, 2016

Technical Assistance Date(s): January 28, 2016
May 5, 2016

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INTRODUCTION

The new Indiana Juvenile Detention Standards are in the process of being adopted, therefore the 19th annual evaluation of the Madison County Youth Center consisted of an audit of the current 26 mandatory compliance standards or the corresponding 16 newly proposed mandatory compliance standards. Compliance with 100% of the mandatory standards is required to attain “Full Compliance”.

FACILITY INFORMATION

Facility county	Madison
Governing authority	Madison Circuit Court #2
Name of facility administrator	N. Gary Williams
Detention facility’s mission	The Madison County Youth Center promotes the healthy development of youth and families through the provision of quality Day Reporting, Evening Reporting and Secure Detention services.
Rated capacity	32

Population on date of audit	8
Average daily population for the last 12 months	12.27
Average length of stay for the last 12 months	19.06 days
Year the building was built	1994
Minor upgrades since last audit (i.e. painting, flooring, bedding, furnishings)	All units have been freshly painted and new television with protective cages was added to the North East Unit. New washing machine was installed in January.
Major upgrades since last audit (i.e. plumbing, electrical, security system)	The North West and North East Units have new cameras installed in the cells with additional multiplexer. Walk-through metal detector installed in the 24 hour lobby.
De-escalation techniques training	Handle with Care
Physical force techniques training	Handle with Care and Handle with Care Plus
Chemical agents permitted	Yes
Name of food service provider	Madison County Youth Services Center
Name of food service supervisor	Cindy Spegal
Name of health care authority individual or agency and license/certification	S&R Medical
Name of mental health care authority individual or agency and license/certification	Robin Emmons, LCSW

INSPECTION FOR COMPLIANCE WITH 26 MANDATORY STANDARDS

Auditors	Chance Sweat and Laurie Elliott
File Review of the 26 mandatory standards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zero (0) standards were identified as non-applicable, and zero (0) mandatory standards were found to be non-compliant. • Madison County Youth Center was in compliance with 100% of the mandatory standards.
Facility Tour	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Center's youth dorm areas were clean and well organized. • Sanitation in the facility was above standard.
Youth Interviews	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Four male youth were interviewed about their experiences at the Center. • Youth reported, without hesitation, feeling safe at the facility. • Youth did not provide complaints or recommendations.
Recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None

SUBSEQUENT ANNOUNCED AND/OR UNANNOUNCED VISIT(S)

On 1/28/2016, a subsequent visit was conducted of the Madison County Juvenile Center by Chance Sweat. Youth were observed participating in recreation classes under direct supervision of detention staff. The facility population count was nine. All youth appeared to be in good health. All areas of the facility appeared to be well-maintained, and the sanitation level of the facility was above average.

On 8/16/2016, a second subsequent visit was conducted of the Madison County Juvenile Center by Chance Sweat. The facility tour was conducted by Shift Supervisor Ms. Zion. All youth appeared to be in good health and all areas appeared to be well-maintained and sanitation levels in the facility were found to be above average. Youth were observed participating in education, and the facility population count was 12 youth. Youth and staff at the facility have built 2 raised gardens and produced fresh fruit and vegetables.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE VISIT(S)

The Madison County Youth Center's education technical assistance visit occurred on 1/28/16 and was conducted by Chance Sweat and Kristin Herrmann. The education program operates year round with instructional days of six hours. Instruction is delivered via an on-site, licensed classroom teacher either utilizing a curriculum created at the facility, overseeing an approved online instructional program, or facilitating work assigned from the juvenile's home school. The method of instruction depends on the juvenile's need. Program staff includes three full-time teachers.

The Madison County Youth Center's training and development technical assistance visit occurred on 5/5/16 and was conducted by Chance Sweat and Kristin Herrmann. The technical assistance provided included identifying key changes to the standards, answering questions, and discussing the facility's training plan.

CONCLUSION

Madison County Youth Center is in full compliance with the 2016 Indiana Detention Center Standards Audit performed by the Indiana Department of Correction, Division of Youth Services.

A certificate of compliance will accompany this report, which becomes public information ten (10) days from the date of mailing.

Please contact me at (317) 607-6507 should you have any questions concerning this report.

Respectfully submitted,

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